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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170  
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I am a senior citizen who has the least expensive monthly plan that I could find because I only use my phone for emergencies. In fact, I have had the service for a year and have not made any calls yet. I am on the road a fair amount of the time and feel better having the phone available but cannot afford high rates. An extra dollar a month would just make me think about discontinuing the service and the mental security that it brings me. Everything is going up and for us that are retired, our income does not, or not enough to keep up with all of the increases, taxes of one form or another being the worst, perhaps. Oil and gas increases and on and on. When does it stop? Shannon Caforio

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members